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DORIS HENDERSON, ADMINISTRATIVE secretary in the Office of Cultural Diversity, presents Armando Arroyo, a junior music major from San Antonio, with a scholarship during the Chancellor's luncheon Tuesday.

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Luncheon aims to raise funds

By Justin Matthews/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech's university system united Tuesday to honor its faculty and staff at the Multicultural Faculty and Staff Association's annual Chancellor's Luncheon in the Student Union Ballroom.

MFSA hosts the luncheon annually to raise money for its endowed scholarship fund. Fran Anderson, president of MFSA, said the luncheon has taken place for several years.

"This is probably about the 13th or 14th year; it used to be called the President's Luncheon," she said. "For the past 5 to 6 years, though, it has been called the chancellor's."

The luncheon is primarily designed to raise money for scholarships. Last year MFSA reached their goal of \$50,000

with the help of Chancellor Emeritus John Montford during his reign at the university. This year the organization's goal is to raise \$10,000. According to MFSA, scholarship funding comes from a combination of several places.

"We receive \$10 a semester from our 70 members; the luncheon usually brings in several thousand dollars, and we have private contributions from people as well," Anderson said. "Of course Montford was a large factor in the \$50,000."

The luncheon was hosted by Interim Chancellor Dr. David Smith and offered a chicken and beef fajita meal provided by the university catering service.

During the program, John Borrelli, professor for the department of civil engineering, presented Alexia Green, aca-

demie dean for nursing administration, with the Distinguished Service Award.

"This is quite an honor and quite a surprise," Green said as she received the award. "I thought this award was going to a student."

The scholarship committee also presented two students with a scholarship award. Cody Charles, a freshman restaurateur, hotel and institutional management major from Houston, and Armando Arroyo, a junior music major from San Antonio, received a renewable \$500 annual scholarship.

Both students said they were stunned to be the only two to receive the award.

"This was very unexpected to me, I thought it was going to be more than just two recipients," Arroyo said. "When

chosen that I was one of two people chosen out of 89, I didn't know what to say. It's just awesome."

Anderson said MFSA was surprised and thrilled to receive a larger number of applicants this year.

"This year we had over 80 applicants for the scholarship," she said. "Last year we didn't have very many apply at all, so we are pleased with our scholarship committee in getting people interested to apply."

Charles said he was surprised and honored to be one of the award recipients.

"This means a lot to me, especially in helping to fund my education," he said. "It has taught me how important it

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Panel to query SGA candidates at forum today

By April Tamplen/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech students will have a chance to hear the 12 Student Government Association executive candidates talk about their platforms today in the Student Union Courtyard from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Nina Wilson, KTXN station manager; Amy Wood, La Ventana editor; Brandon Formby, *The University Daily* editor; and John Steinmetz, Student Government president, will be asking each candidate questions about their platform and where they stand on major Tech issues.

Formby said the reason the media hold this forum is because the media are familiar with all issues that go on throughout the Tech campus.

"Nina, Amy and I represent the student media, and John (Steinmetz) has the inside perspective on what would make a good executive officer," he said. "Since we are student run, and we are here for the students, we know what the major issues around campus are."

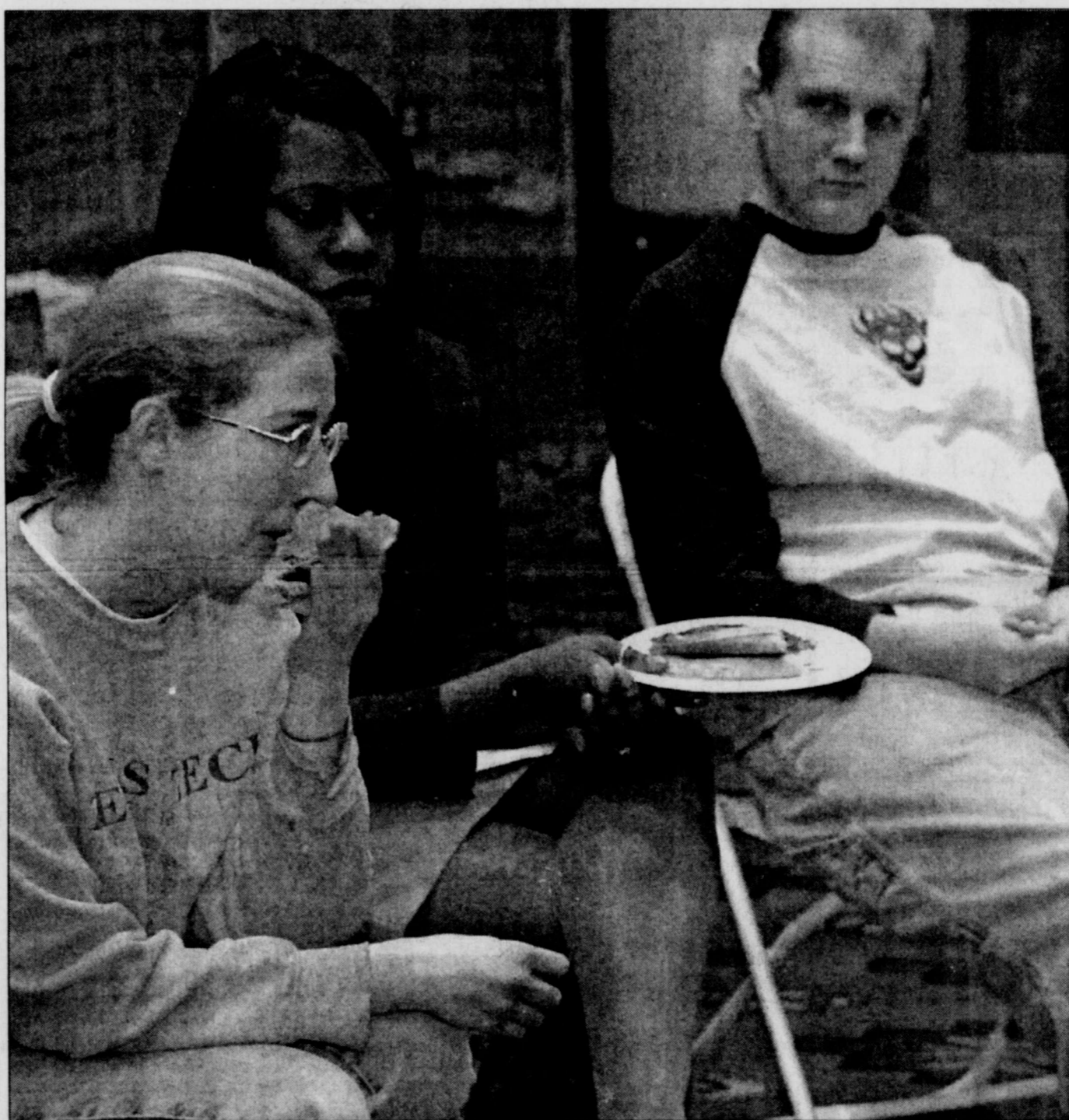
Steinmetz said this forum will give the student voters a chance to observe how candidates respond to the questions student leaders are asked.

"It is a challenge for the candidates because it allows students on campus to ask challenging questions about major issues," he said. "The purpose is to give candidates the opportunity to better explain the reasons for running for office."

Steinmetz said other students will be able to submit questions to the panel about issues that are a concern.

"This is an opportunity for every student to ask questions that best suits their concerns," he said.

Formby said all students are encouraged to come to the forum and participate. The order for the forum will be external vice president, internal vice president and president. Presidential candidates are Brian Davis, Cody Nash, Louie Scott and Kelli Stumbo. Internal vice president candidates are John Mark Bernal, Jeremy Brown, Darbara Daily, Don Dildy, Zake Fortenberry and Wesley Stephens. Leigh Mauer and Bryan Vaughn are running for external vice president. Elections will take place Feb. 26 and 27.



JULIA HUBBARD, A second-year law student from Lubbock, becomes emotional when talking about her opinions on the death penalty in the forum in the law school.

DAVID JOHNSON/Staff Photographer

or Life DEATH

Students gathered Tuesday to discuss issues, emotions with capital punishment

By Natalie Worthen/Staff Reporter

The plan on Tuesday at the Law School forum was to listen to Philip Wischkaemper, capital assistance attorney, speak about the death penalty, sign a petition against the death penalty and mail it to state legislators.

However, because of unexpected responses, the rally became an emotional testimony with more personal topics covering death, justice and revenge.

Wischkaemper is an attorney for the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association and has defended those charged with murder.

"There have been nearly 100 executions in the last 20 years where in those cases, the guilty were proven innocent too late," Wischkaemper said.

Richard Baker, a third-year law student and president of the Black Law Student Association, hosted the event along with the BLSA.

"The death penalty is one of those things people know in their hearts is wrong; they also know if their loved one were to be murdered, they would enforce the death penalty," Baker said.

He said because of evidence he has found in researching the death penalty, he believes the government's system is too flawed to determine life or death for an individual.

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Students can register to vote in Lubbock county at campus elections

By April Tamplen/Staff Reporter

Tech students can pick up voter registration cards at the Student Government Association office so they will be able to vote in the upcoming elections. These voter registration cards will make Tech students eligible to vote only in Lubbock County.

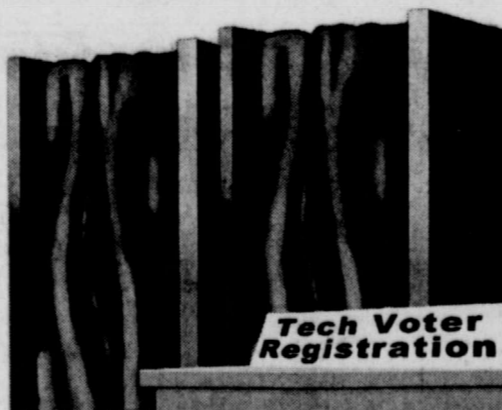
Channon Cain, external vice president for the Student Government Association, said by registering to vote in Lubbock, students will bring more power to Tech.

"If we have 20,000 registered voters at Tech, then that would give us a lot of power in the Lubbock community," he said. "We could have a say in major issues like the house-ordinance issue, and we could have more input."

Cain said when students vote for the SGA elections they can pick up a voter registration card, fill it out and mail it to the Lubbock Voter Registration.

"If this is going to be the place where Tech students are going to spend the next four or five years of their lives, then they need to have a say in the community," he said. "In the long run, we plan on getting a bigger turnout on voting; the results will not happen overnight."

Dorothy Kennedy, assistant chief deputy of voter registration, said students need to fill out voter registration cards and submit them 30 days before the election to be able to vote in the upcoming elections.



FRANK VACULIN/Graphics Artist

"A person can only be registered to vote in one county," she said. "If a person comes to school in Tech but lives somewhere else, that person needs to make sure they vote where they are registered."

Kennedy said if a student registered to vote today, it would be too late to vote in the March 12 primaries, and they would be eligible to vote in the elections in April and May.

Kennedy said it takes about two weeks for the voter registration cards to arrive in the mail. Martha White, office manager for the County Clerk, said there is a better turnout in voting participation when it is a presidential year.

County Clerk records show in the 1998 gubernatorial election, 21 voters from the Republican Party and six voters from the Democratic Party voted on the Tech campus.

Cain said Tech needs to change the participation records.

"Everyone needs to get out and vote so that Tech can be heard in the community," he said. "Maybe in a few years we can get candidates to bring their campaign to the Tech campus."

White said voters must be 18 years of age and U.S. citizenship.

Voter registration cards can be picked up in the SGA office in Room 230 of the Student Union.

BROWN BAGGIN' IT



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer
KIMBERLY WILLIAMS, A freshman pre-pharmacology major from Houston, runs under cover to her English class 15 minutes late, after waiting for a hail and rain storm to pass Tuesday afternoon.

Jury hears officer's account of father's emotional response

By Pam Easton/Associated Press

HOUSTON — When Russell Yates learned his five children had been killed, he fell to the ground and then threw a chair across the yard, a police officer testified Tuesday.

"I just thought it best for me not to talk to him," Houston Police Sgt. David Svahn said. "He was very, very upset."

He testified at the trial of Yates' wife, Andrea Yates, 37, who is charged with two counts of capital murder for the June 20 drownings and faces the death penalty. She has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity.

Svahn said he was the first to encounter the father after taking Andrea Yates into custody.

He said Russell Yates suddenly came running up to the house.

"He was screaming and hollering," Svahn testified. "He was saying, 'What did she do to my kids? What did she do to my kids?'"

Svahn said he asked the man what was going on.

"He said his wife had called him at work and told him it was time to come home," Svahn said. "His wife told him she had hurt all five of the kids and that she finally did it."

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Up 2 Date

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The Rundown



El Paso casino closes, leaving 450 jobless

EL PASO (AP) — Lines of people that used to snake into the Speaking Rock Casino for games of chance have been replaced with lines of employees waiting to get their final paychecks and turn in their uniforms.

About 450 employees were laid off Monday at the Tigua Indians' casino in the first such action since it was forced to close last week. The employees are getting 60-day severance packages.

Some 200 people kept their jobs, but Tigua spokesman Steve Schwartz said there may be more layoffs.

Many of the employees said they didn't know where to look for a job and were disappointed the casino had to close.

Trial begins in fatal dog-mauling case

LOS ANGELES (AP) — In an opening statement punctuated by gruesome photos, a prosecutor said Tuesday he will prove that a couple were warned repeatedly their dogs were dangerous before a neighbor was mauled to death. But the defense called the attack unexpected.

Defendant Marjorie Knoller, 46, was with the dogs, Bane and Hera, at the time of the Jan. 26, 2001, attack that killed Diane Whipple outside her San Francisco doghouse. Knoller is charged with second-degree murder, involuntary manslaughter and having a mischievous animal that killed a human being. Her 60-year-old husband faces the latter two charges.

Bush's help sought in prisoner's release

BEIJING (AP) — The wife of a jailed Chinese democracy activist said Tuesday she has asked President George W. Bush to seek his release when he meets China's leaders this week.

He Xintong said she told Bush she "lives in dread" over the health of her husband, veteran dissident Xu Wenli. Xu, 59, was sentenced in 1998 to 13 years in prison on subversion charges as a cofounder of the opposition China Democracy Party. The party was quickly crushed by Chinese authorities.

"His illnesses can suddenly cause severe problems at any time," Xu's wife, He, said. "He needs to have a proper checkup. They won't give him

Quote of the Day

"How we feel about our bodies affects our emotional and physical health. We need to send ourselves positive views."

— JULI BENSON, Student Health Services health educator, on body image. Please see AWARENESS, page 5.

Your View

Question: Are you going to vote in next week's SGA elections?



"I hadn't really thought about it. I probably will. I think it's important. They can make different suggestions for our university."

— NICOLE HEFFNER, a junior acting major from Houston



"I don't know. I haven't thought about it yet. Yeah, probably."

— SEAN STOWERS, a junior management information systems major from Pampa



"Probably not, I just never have."

— DONALD FITTSGILL, a senior finance major from Fort Worth



"Are those coming up? I guess I'll vote if I'm walking by and it's convenient."

— MARIE GOSNELL, a senior journalism major from Albuquerque, N.M.



"I hadn't even heard of them. I wasn't aware of it."

— STEPHEN JACKSON, a freshman civil engineering major from Austin



"What's that? No. I don't even know about them."

— BRETT FINNEY, a sophomore marketing major from Fort Worth

Tech Notes

The Wesley Foundation will host a blood drive from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Wesley Foundation building, located at 2420 15th St. For an appointment, call Kim at (806) 762-8749.

The Women in Architecture and Design Association will meet at noon to-

day in Room 7 in the Architecture building. Free pizza will be provided; all students are welcome.

Voting Students are encouraged to pick up their voter registration cards in the SGA office, Room 230 in the Student Union building from 8 a.m. to 5

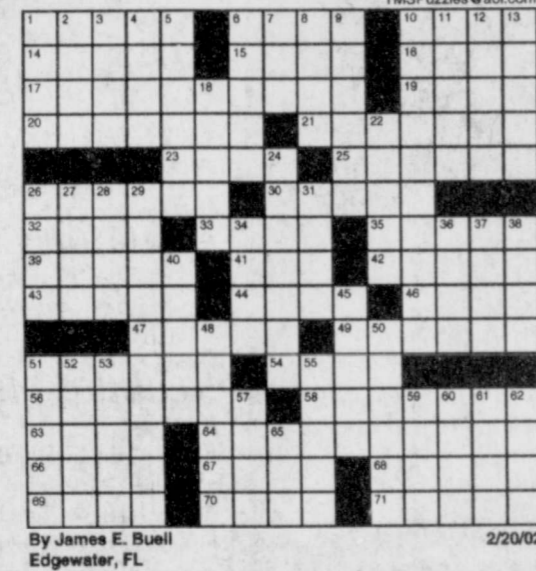
p.m. until Friday. For more information, contact Channon Cain at (806) 742-3631 or by e-mail at sga@ttu.edu.

Hillel, the Jewish student organization, will host its second meeting at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Union Courtyard. For more information, contact Isack Kohn at (806) 773-8372.

Notice: There will be a test of the alarm system at 10 a.m. March 6. Sirens will be activated for a period of one minute.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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By James E. Buehl
Edgewater, FL

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved



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British pair returns home after shooting

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Two British peacekeepers who allegedly fired at a car carrying a pregnant woman have returned home amid accusations the shooting, which killed her brother-in-law, was provoked, an official said Tuesday.

Afghan and British police are investigating the shooting, but the soldiers only will answer questions from British police, said Capt. Graham Dunlop, a spokesman for the British peacekeeping force.

"Britain retains exclusive jurisdiction over the soldiers," Dunlop said, insisting any legal action against the two soldiers sent home would be taken in Britain. "If they need to be punished, they will be dealt with by us," he said.

The pre-dawn shooting last week has angered Afghans in Kabul, who say the soldiers fired 60 bullets at a car that violated a nighttime curfew as it raced to take a pregnant woman to a hospital.

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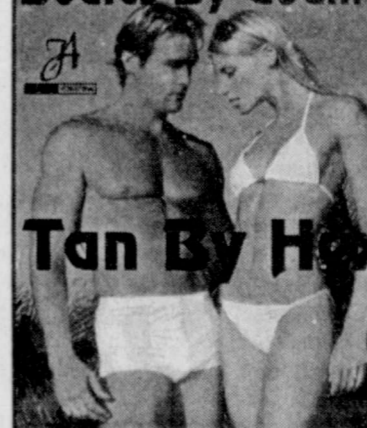
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College of Agriculture hosts seminars

AWARENESS WEEK:

Experts from schools nationwide present information ranging from agricultural economics to farm-related terrorism.

By Preston Files/Staff Reporter

Agriculture Awareness Week, hosted by the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, will present its college symposium today in the Student Union building's Matador Room from 10 to 10:50 a.m.

The symposium will host Michael Reed, a professor of the University of Kentucky's Department of Agricultural Economics. Reed will address "International Dimensions of U.S. Agriculture." Following the college symposium will

be a panel discussion held from 11 to 11:50 a.m.

The week will showcase the college's departments; each will host a departmental seminar.

Cary Green, chair of the Agriculture Awareness Week committee and associate professor of plant and soil sciences, said the seminars give a more focused presentation of information specific and relevant to the department's mission.

Green said the seminars give students the opportunity to see information and research presented by experts in the field.

Animal Science and Food Technology will hold its departmental seminar today at 8 a.m. in the Meat Laboratory building, room 100.

Don Orr, president and chief operations officer of United Feed Inc. will present "International Agriculture for the New Century."

Norman Hopper, associate dean for student and alumni affairs, said the college is focusing on individual departments and the roles they play.

"Each department will tie into the

overall theme of global agriculture and its effects from the particular departments perspective," he said.

The Landscape Architecture department will present its seminar from 2 to 3 p.m. today in the Agricultural Education building, Room 102.

Fritz Steiner, dean of the College of Architecture at the University of Texas will speak on "Landscapes and the Wealth of Regions."

Two agriculture departments will present seminars Thursday.

Bruce Maunder, a research adviser for the National Grain Sorghum Producers, will speak on "Global Challenges to Crop Production and Food Security," hosted from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Agricultural Education building Room 102.

The Range, Wildlife and Fisheries Management departmental seminar is scheduled for 4 to 5 p.m. in Room 102 in the Agricultural Education building.

Ron Kendall, director, and Lou Chiodo, assistant director for science of Texas Tech's Institute of Environmen-

tal and Human Health, will present "An Overview of Agro-Terrorism Homeland Security in West Texas."

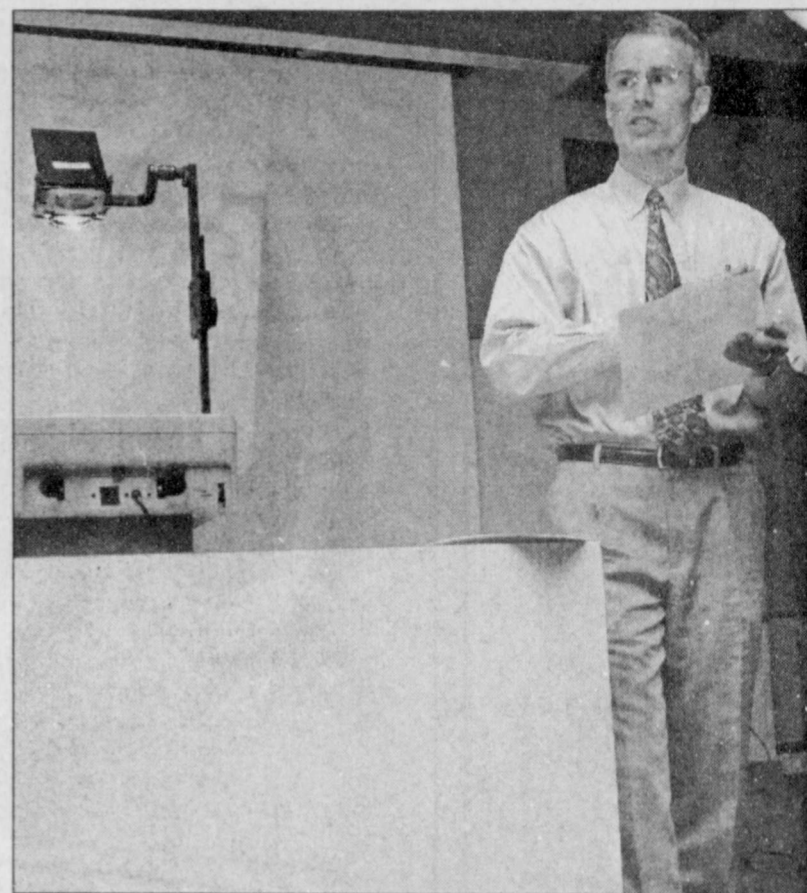
Thursday night a high school symposium will be held to coincide with Tech's University Day activities in the Student Union from 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Matador Room.

Melissa Aguillard, coordinator of student and career development, said the event is an opportunity for students to look at different areas the college offers and enjoy live music as well as food.

The Agricultural Education and Communications departmental seminar is scheduled for Friday at noon in Room 116 of the Agricultural Education building.

Speaking in the virtual seminar on "The Globalization of Agriculture," is David Acker, assistant dean of National and Global Programs and a professor of agricultural education and studies at Iowa State University.

Matt Baker, chairman of the agricultural education and communications, said Acker is one of the foremost thinkers of global agriculture in the world.



HEATHER DOUGHERTY/Staff Photographer
MICHAEL REED, PROFESSOR of agricultural economics at the University of Kentucky, gives a presentation during Tech's Agricultural Awareness Week

Luncheon

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is to give back and help others; the money will help me out a lot."

During the ceremony, Eddie Anaya revealed a plaque and recognized William Carter for his "outstanding dedication and service to the Learn Inc."

"I don't very often get caught by surprise," Carter said. "The people that really deserve the credit aren't getting it; this wouldn't happen without them; they're the ones that do it."

In previous years, the luncheon focused on the main campus, but the MFSA included the Health Sciences Center this year. Anderson said by adding the HSC, they are trying to form cohesiveness with the faculty and staff of the two campuses.

Smith explained the luncheon is a good way to honor a great organization.

"I think this shows that Tech has an incredibly motivated faculty and staff who really do understand why they are here, which is for the students," he said. "The idea of the scholarship fundraising is perfectly consistent with my goal of bringing more student scholarships to the university, so I applaud them for that." This year, more than 350 tickets were sold for the event, which is considerably higher than last year's numbers.

"Each year it grows; each year we do better," Anderson said.

Forum

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"The death penalty is prejudiced," Baker said. "It kills certain groups. It kills innocent people."

Wischkaemper said the death penalty was gut wrenching when it was happening to people he had grown to know, such as his clients.

"Death is different," he said. "It's different when it's someone you know is dying right before your very eyes."

At the testimony there were members from the Tech chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union as well as Tech law students.

Helen Morrow, a second-year law student, had no doubts of her opinion on the death penalty.

"Since I was old enough to understand what it was, intuitively I knew it was wrong," she said.

Morrow said issues on the death penalty that affected her opinion were inequalities in the system, the application of the executions and her morals.

"Of course I want dangerous people off of the street," she said. "That doesn't mean they have to die. It's that simple."

Morrow said if people would stop basing life on their emotions and be logical, the death penalty would not be an issue.

Jaime Gonzalez, a third-year law student, plans to be a prosecuting attorney.

"I don't think the death penalty is an excuse to kill," he said. "But isn't living in prison the same as receiving the death penalty? Who wants to live that kind of life?"

Others said they believed it was hypocritical for the state to be able to decide who may live or die, instead of the person who suffered the loss.

Julia Hubbard, a second-year law student, is a member of the ACLU Tech chapter.

"It is different to think rationally to kill people," she said. "It is different to think a man who raped a woman should go on living."

Hubbard said she could not say if she opposed the death penalty or not.

"As a member of the ACLU, I know how I should feel about this, but it's not something you can automatically decide," Hubbard said. "If you're going to make up your mind about the death penalty, you have to ponder about it for a long time."

Rose Watson, president of the local Board of Barristers for the West Texas Legal Service and a member of the board of directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, sat among the deliberators.

"People who are sent to prison and are found innocent can leave prison," Watson said. "People who are executed and found innocent can't come back to life."

Watson said she was against the death penalty because most often those who are sentenced death cannot afford an attorney.

"No matter who you are, you should have a good attorney," she said.

Tim Floyd, a criminal law professor at Tech, said the death penalty is unfair to all citizens.

"The reason for some to be executed and some to not be executed are because of money for a good lawyer, where you're from and who you kill," Floyd said.

"If you kill a white socially prominent person, the likelihood that you will receive the death penalty is pretty good," he said.

Yates

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The officer said he then had the grim task of informing Russell Yates that his children were dead.

"At that point he fell to the ground and began hitting his hand on the ground," Svahn said.

He then picked up a plastic chair from the yard and threw it, the officer said.

Monday, the first day of the trial, Officer David Knapp said he followed Andrea Yates into the house after she summoned the police, and in the bedroom he saw a child's arm protruding from under a wet sheet.

Knapp lifted the sheet and saw the lifeless bodies of Mary, 6

months, Luke, 2, Paul, 3, and John, 5. Noah, 7, was floating face down in the bathtub.

"She was standing behind me ... and I didn't hear her cry" or show any emotion, Knapp said.

Defense attorney George Parnham told jurors that Yates had a history of suicide attempts and was so psychotic that her delusions drove her to drown her children.

"Postpartum depression with psychotic features, as will be testified to from the stand, is the cruelest and most severe of mental illnesses," Parnham said.

But prosecutors say she knew her actions were wrong when she held each of her five children beneath the water in the bathtub until they stopped breathing.

Harmful food bacteria could pose problems

By Philip Brasher/Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Dangerous bacteria are going to be a problem in America's food for a long time as disease agents arrive in imported products and microbes already here develop in new forms, scientists say.

In a report for the Institute of Food Technologists, the scientists also say the increasing use of manure as fertilizer poses the risk of spreading harmful bacteria to food, either by contaminating irrigation water or contacting the crops.

Manure, which harbors bacteria such as E. coli O157:H7 and salmonella, substitutes for chemical fertilizer on both organic and conventional crops. In some foreign countries, chicken manure is fed to farm-raised shrimp.

The report, which is being released Wednesday, also warns against the overuse of antibiotics in livestock, saying there is "growing body of evidence" that farm use of antibiotics is causing bacteria to become resistant to drugs.

"The job of assuring microbiological food safety is unending," said Morris Potter, a top epidemiologist for the Food and Drug Administration who chaired the study by government and university scientists.

Consumers "should take heart, however, because of the progress that has been made."

The scientists say it will be "practically impossible" to keep hot dogs and similar precooked meats free of Listeria monocytogenes because the bacterium is so common in the environment.

The report does not address the issue of whether the government's food safety agencies should be consolidated. Food regulation is now split between the Agriculture Department and FDA, which have widely varying inspection programs and rules.

But the report raises concern about the regulation of imported fruits and vegetables and the potential for new pathogens getting into the country. It's happened before: The bacteria, Cyclospora cayentensis, came to the United States through imported produce, and rare forms of salmonella also have been appearing in the country.

"Certainly, you can grow produce that is free of pathogens in developing countries. It's just a matter of sanitary practices and the quality of water that is used for irrigation," said Michael Doyle, a University of Georgia microbiologist who assisted in the study.

FDA inspects less than 2 percent of imported fruits and vegetables. Major supermarket chains, worried about new

outbreaks of salmonella and other bacteria, have recently started requiring domestic and foreign produce suppliers to be inspected by private firms.

The report says better monitoring of foodborne illnesses is needed to spot trends and identify causes. For example, doctors too often treat patients for food poisonings without reporting the illnesses to public health authorities or ordering tests to determine the exact causes.

That lack of reporting means that government agencies and food companies may not be aware of new pathogens or dangerous products.

Changes in how foods are processed — such as leaving out salt or replacing fats with gums — can lead inadvertently to new safety problems by making food more hospitable to bacteria, or by causing the bacteria to evolve into harder forms.

At one point, yogurt manufacturers started replacing sugar with an artificial sweetener only to discover that led to the growth of the bacteria that causes botulism. It turned out that the sugar was removing water from the yogurt, making it difficult for the bacteria to grow. Yogurt was reformulated to eliminate the problem.

Food makers also must be careful that their attempts to inhibit bacteria growth don't backfire.

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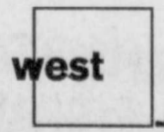
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Referendum for SGA general elections

PUBLIC NOTICE

(Editor's Note: The following is the exact wording on proposed amendment changes to the Student Government Association constitution for the upcoming general elections. This is how these proposed changes will be presented to students when they vote. In accordance to the constitution, this must be printed in *The University Daily* twice prior to elections.)

Wording for referendum for General Elections:
Article II. Legislation, Section 2. shall be amended to read:

Representatives elected from each college, by the students enrolled in that college, and in proportion to the number of students in each college.... Each college shall be entitled to at least two members of the Senate.

Yes or No

Article II. Legislation, Section 3. (Qualifications) shall be amended to read:
Student Senators, Senators-At-Large, and Graduate Senators must maintain a grade point average that is considered to be in good standing with the University Policy.

Yes or No

Article III. Executive, Section 3. shall be amended to read:

1. President: The President shall have at least a senior standing to his/her credit according to University Policy, by the end of the semester in which the election is held.

2. Vice President: The Vice President for Internal Affairs and the Vice President For External Affairs shall have at least a junior

standing to his/her credit according to University Policy, by the end of the semester in which the election is held.

Yes or No

Article IV. Judicial, Section 2. shall be amended to read:

The Supreme Court shall be composed of a Chief Justice and six Associate Justices. They shall be appointed by the President of the Student Government Association. Justices serve 2-year terms. Every odd year the President shall appoint three Justices and every even year the President shall appoint four. All appointed Justices would be interviewed and recommended by the Rules and Administration Committee, before being presented to the Senate. The Chief Justice position will be a second year Justice. The Senate will confirm the appointments by a 2/3 vote of those who are present and voting.

Yes or No

Article IV. Judicial, Section 3. shall be amended to read:

...Each member of the Supreme Court must have a 2.5 overall grade point average.

Yes or No

Article IV. Judicial, Section 4. shall be amended to read:

Term: Members of the Supreme Court shall be appointed two weeks prior to the first fall meeting of the Student Senate.

Yes or No

Article III. Executive, Section 3. Shall be amended to read:

3. Vice President... In addition, the Vice President for Internal Affairs shall have served as a student senator prior to the election.

Yes or No

International Education Fee "Fee to End All Fees":

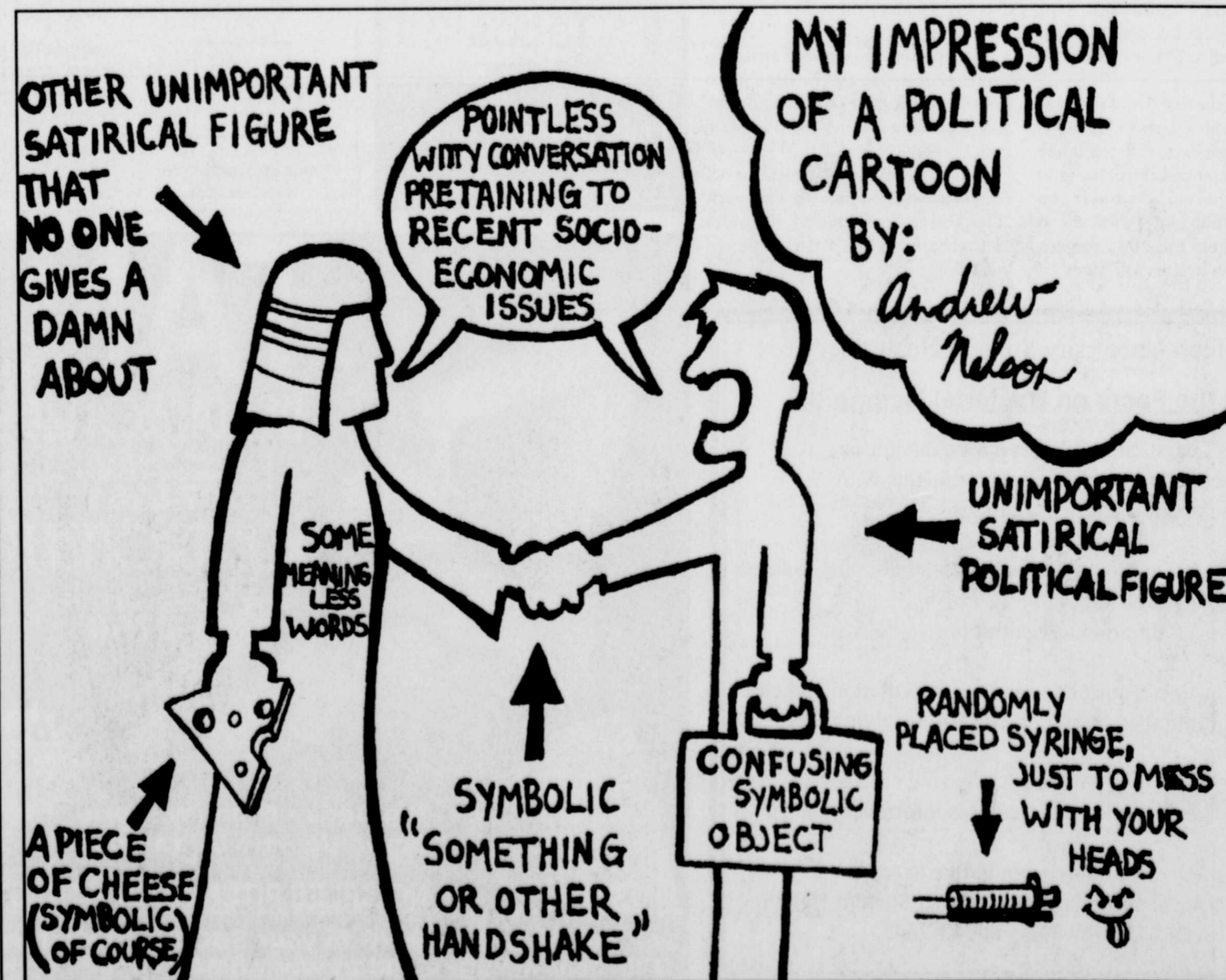
"I support the implementation of the "Fee to End All Fees", a gradual increase in the International Education Fee also known as the Study Abroad Fee, to begin in the Fall of 2002. Part of the monies generated from this increase will go towards continuing the scholarships already allotted each year. The remainder of these monies will be set aside in a separate fund as a foundation/endowment fund to be left alone to collect interest. The fee will increase in the amount of one dollar per year for three years with a total fee of \$4.00 per semester for the year 2004-2005, and each additional semester following. The International Education fee will be abolished completely once the foundation/endowment fund has reached a total of \$4,000,000.00. Ninety-five percent of the interest from this fund would then be used to help finance the Scholarships provided by the Student Exchange Program and the remaining 5% would be returned to the supplemental fund to continue to collect interest."

Scholarship — 2001-2002: \$1/sem.; 2002-2003: \$1/sem.; 2003-2004: \$1.50/sem.; 2004-2005: \$2.50/sem.

Foundation/Endowment — 2001-2002: \$0/sem.; 2002-2003: \$1/sem.; 2003-2004: \$1.50/sem.; 2004-2005: \$1.50/sem.

Total — 2001-2002: \$1/sem.; 2002-2003: \$2/sem.; 2003-2004: \$3/sem.; 2004-2005: \$4/sem.

Yes or No



Survey just another way to support fee

COLUMN



BRENDAN HEADD

Feb. 11, President Schmidly revealed that a scientific statistical survey will be conducted which will allow the "silent majority" an opinion in the athletics fee proposal.

If there is one thing the student body can be certain of, it is the exact methodology of the survey will never be made public.

Nineteenth century British Prime Minister

Benjamin Disraeli once stated: "There are three kinds of lies: lies, damned lies and statistics." This reality has been the basis for opinion surveys since man first discovered the advantages of manipulating public perception.

Opinion surveys are notoriously biased, and the administration is relying on this to work in their favor. This isn't a vote; the majority doesn't rule in these surveys. The administration just needs to establish that a portion of students (the number of which is completely up to them) are in favor of this fee (or some version of this fee) to "prove" that the student body supports it. Sample size and statistical significance are a moot point if the results aren't interpreted in a practical manner. It only took 17 students out of 454 surveyed back in 1999 to justify the expansion of the Student Union. Statistics can prove anything — that's why people use them.

The real fault in the proposed athletic fee isn't the amount of support it may or may not possess but the doctrine that allows it to exist in the first place. Modern higher education theory is firmly rooted in ESPNism: the belief that a highly visible athletics program will bring more money into a university and thereby contribute to the overall academic mission of a scholastic institution.

It doesn't work. If the money generated by athletics was directed toward academics instead of being funneled right back into the athletics program, then this scheme might actually work. But the money never reaches academics; instead, a vicious cycle develops and the primary mission of the athletics department becomes self-promotion. Slowly the department consumes more and more money in an effort to make itself more visible.

ESPNism is what a pyramid scheme would look like if it operated in a two-dimensional world. The foundation grows as more and more money is invested, but no one ever proceeds to the next level.

Unless a university already has an established athletics program there can never be a payoff, but this university has bought into ESPNism anyway.

A quick glance at the campus Master Plan Web site reveals a women's softball stadium, renovations of Dan Law Field, a tennis complex, the ever-expanding Jones SBC Stadium and an Academic Services Building (which incidentally will only be for student athletes) in the works. Add to this list the recently completed United Spirit Arena, and you will notice a very disturbing trend emerges — with the possible exception of landscaping, athletics is the primary focus of this university.

Oh sure, we're building the English/Philosophy/Education complex (the only academic building on the Master Plan Web site), but this complex is being built because the current English building could collapse at any moment. Originally, the faculty and staff of the English department were going to have to pay for their own furniture, but the university eventually came to its senses and has since provided for desks, chairs etc. There is still an English department furniture fund to provide for some of the items the university isn't going to purchase, but the fact that a fund such as this would ever need to exist is a perfect example of the administration's priorities.

Rest assured, the athletics fee will be approved, but this isn't the worst part. The worst part is that next fall, the athletics department will be back asking for more money, just as they do every semester.

I enjoy watching sporting events just as much as anyone else, but I haven't deluded myself into thinking that the momentary euphoria that comes from our team winning on the playing field actually adds to the value of my education. It's absolutely amazing the myths that we will create to try and legitimize athletics at a university. Prospective donors who learn of our school through athletics tend to donate their money to the athletics department, not the academic component of this university. If you really think a prospective employer is going to hire you because we have a good intercollegiate athletics program then you're a fool. Athletics are a form of entertainment, nothing more.

The flaw with ESPNism is that it changes the focus of a university from academics to athletics. There will always be those students who lose sight of the reason they are here, but when the university administration loses sight of their primary mission, the esteem of the university and the graduates it produces will pay the price. The most visible component of a university is the part that the administration puts its resources behind. Unfortunately, our administration has chosen athletics.

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Luncheon to battle body image awareness

By Staff Reports/The University Daily

Texas Tech will host a brown bag lunch discussion entitled "The Body Image Battle: Learning to Fight Back," at noon today in the Student Union Red Raider Lounge as part of Body Awareness Week.

"Bring a lunch, and we'll provide drinks and dessert," said Juli Benson, a health educator for Student Health Services. "We hope to heighten students' awareness about how we feel about our bodies."

Benson said students' personal body image affects other areas of life.

"How we feel about our bodies affects our emotional and physical health," she said. "We need to send ourselves positive views."

Benson said she believes students are too hard on themselves.

"When you're too hard on yourself, you become emotionally and mentally dissatisfied," she said. "They become depressed because they don't think they look the way they should. Not everyone can look like Cindy Crawford."

She also said the media contributes to college students' perceptions of the human figure.

"The media, movies, magazines and TV send us ideas of how we should look," Benson said. "All we see are models, so people assume 'this is how everyone looks so this is how I should look.'"

The differences between models and the average woman are plentiful, Benson said.

"In 1998, there was a study," she said. "It was found that the average model weighs 27 percent less than the average female."

Benson said dolls can also have an effect on body issues.

"Compare the average woman and Barbie," she said. "The dimensions change a lot, same with Ken. If you took the GI Joe Extreme Doll and converted

him into a real man, his biceps would be 26 inches in circumference. That's huge."

The media tends to exert the idea of the smaller the better, Benson said.

"For women, it's important to be thin," she said. "The thinner the better. It's the opposite for men. The more muscular you are, the better you are."

Benson stresses the dangers of using extreme measures to better the body.

"Students will go to the extreme and put their health in jeopardy," she said. "Women

will try fad diets and develop eating disorders, such as anorexia or bulimia. Men have reverse pressures and use supplements. This is not safe just to achieve the ripped look."

Benson said fad diets can result in a



FRANK VACUINI/Graphic Artist

'O' brings another moderation of Shakespeare to life

VIDEO RELEASE REVIEW



JAMES
EPPLER

The movie "O" is not the first time we have seen a modernization of a Shakespearean play. Just this past year we saw Ethan Hawke in a modern day "Hamlet." A few years ago, director Baz Luhrmann depicted "Romeo and Juliet" as a modern gang film, both films keeping the original dialogue in tact. Also a few years ago, we saw a loose adaptation of "The Taming of the Shrew" in a film called "10 Things I Hate About You."

Now we have "O," an updated version of "Othello." This film was surrounded by much controversy because when it was being made, the shootings at Columbine High School took place. The original studio carrying the film, Miramax, chickened out and shelved the film for two years. It was soon picked up by the courageous Lion's Gate Studios and released in 2001.

Othello, the only Moore in Venice is now Odin (Mekhi Phifer), the only black student in a private school. Whereas Othello was a mighty warrior for the army, Odin is the star basketball player for the school's team.

Odin is also dating the dean's daughter, Desi (Julia Stiles). The coach of the basketball team, whom they call "The Duke" (Martin Sheen), confesses in public to the entire school that he loves Odin like his own son. This has a negative effect on Hugo (Josh Hartnett)

the coach's biological son.

In light of this jealousy instilled in Hugo, he decides to turn against Odin. True to the original story, he begins to instill feelings of doubt in Odin as to Desi's faithfulness. He weaves a plot to make Odin think that his friend, Michael, (Andrew Keegan) is having an affair with Desi. This plot against Odin by Hugo requires specific timing and evil suggestions are seemingly made in passing. It is Odin's jealousy and mistrust that is his downfall. Othello "loved not wisely but too well."

"Othello" is most certainly a tragic play, which employs certain tactics to bring its protagonist and supporting characters to their tragic end. The use of a handkerchief given to Desi from Odin is stolen and strategically placed and gives him more suspicion to doubt her. Hugo orchestrates a conversation between Odin's "enemy" and drives Odin to his dastardly deeds in the final act. Even if one is familiar with the play and its twists and turns, it does not make the ending any less powerful or horrifying.

The performances are perfect. Phifer is heartbreaking as a young man driven mad by jealousy and doubt. Julia Stiles, who also played Ophelia in this year's "Hamlet" and also starred in "10 Things I Hate About You," takes some impressive risks here. Her performance as Desi, who did nothing but love Odin and is rebuked in return, is right on key.

Perhaps, the most surprising performance in the film is given by Josh Hartnett. His character, Iago in the original play, is arguably the most sinister and fiendish villain in all of Shakespeare. His performance is slightly subtle, like that of a snake waiting for its chance to strike. So now that we know

Hartnett is capable, one wonders why he chose a sappy and sloppy script like "Pearl Harbor."

But overall, "O" is a riveting and poignant modernization of a classic story. The film stays true to the original work and still manages to communicate important messages on teen violence, date rape, drugs and other modern issues.

I believe this speaks directly to the point of how timeless Shakespeare's stories are. The original dialogue is not used, which is what turned a lot of viewers off from Luhrmann's "Romeo and Juliet," but modern language is employed effectively to speak the same message.

Bravo for director Tim Blake Nelson and screenwriter Brad Kaayla for communicating Shakespeare in such an effective way.

EPPLER'S RATING: ★★★★★

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- ★★★★★ — Flawless
- ★★★★ — Excellent
- ★★★ — Good
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negative outcome.

"There are so many fad diets out there," she said. "They can be dangerous because they promote rapid weight loss. One to two pounds are a healthy amount and accepted. Students are setting themselves up for failure when trying these diets because they can't stick with the unrealistic expectations."

Fad diets that emphasize a particular food group can be hazardous to students' health, Benson said.

"One-food diets are dangerous," she said. "It's restricting, and there are nutritional deficiencies. For example, the pro-

tein diet is dangerous. Not everyone can take in that much protein, and it can be harmful to your liver. People can't maintain the diets long term and end up gaining back more weight than they lost."

Supplements are also hazardous to students' health, said Benson.

"The FDA doesn't regulate supplements like they regulate food," she said. "They can have negative interactions with other prescriptions. Some supplements can contain steroids, and the labels won't list it. They aren't required to prove anything about their labels, so they don't always

tell the truth."

Students wanting to lead a healthier life should strive to be nutritionally informed, Benson said.

"Spend time educating yourself," she said. "Don't rely on the Cosmo cover diet. Nutrition is a lifetime choice, and don't focus on looking a certain way."

Benson said students should focus on other characteristics.

"I encourage students to maintain awareness about the media," she said. "Focus on other things, like spirituality, friendships, education and you as a person. Things that last."

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INTRAMURAL INFORMATION



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COME AND GET ME! Matthew Turner of Sub-par works the ball against a Good Players defender during Sunday's intramural basketball game played at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center. Good Players won 46-37.

SLOW PITCH SOFTBALL

The time is now to get your entries in for intramural softball. Entries will be taken through Thursday at 5 p.m. Spaces are filling up fast so don't delay. Game play will begin Feb. 28. Team entries require a refundable \$30 forfeit fee. Captains should bring rosters with student ID numbers and phone numbers to SRC 203 to get signed up. More than 250 teams will compete in this Spring Championship.

BASKETBALL PLAYOFFS

Sunday will be the first day of intramural basketball playoffs. All teams who finished the regular season will advance to the playoffs, so no matter what your record is, get ready to lace 'em up and go for the title. Each playoff will be a single elimination bracket with champions in many brackets advancing to the United Spirit Arena. Playoff brackets will be available Thursday on the Recreational Sports Web site, www.ttu.edu/recsports.

BASKETBALL TOP 10

| Men's | Rank | Team | Record |
|-------|------------------|------|--------|
| 1. | Last Run (6) | 2-0 | |
| 2. | Polo Express (2) | 3-0 | |
| 3. | Sack Lunch (1) | 3-0 | |
| 4. | Gotti Boyz (1) | 3-0 | |
| 5. | Bledsoe Bearcats | 3-0 | |
| 6. | Phi Delt 'A' | 3-0 | |
| 7. | FA Star | 3-0 | |
| 8. | Theta Chi 'A' | 3-0 | |
| 9. | Buckeyes | 3-0 | |
| 10. | KYX 'A' | 3-0 | |

REGISTER FOR THE RACQUETBALL SHOOT-OUT:

Want to play better racquetball? Try the Intermediate Racquetball Clinic on Feb. 28. It is \$6. Register in the Fitness/Wellness Center. This will help prepare you for the Racquetball Shoot-out on March 3. The Shootout will have Men's A, B, C and Women's divisions and will begin at noon. The Shootout is free, but registration is required by Feb. 28 in the Intramural Office Room 203 of the SRC. There will be a drawing for a racquet and winners will receive prizes.

RECREATION SPECIALTY CLASSES

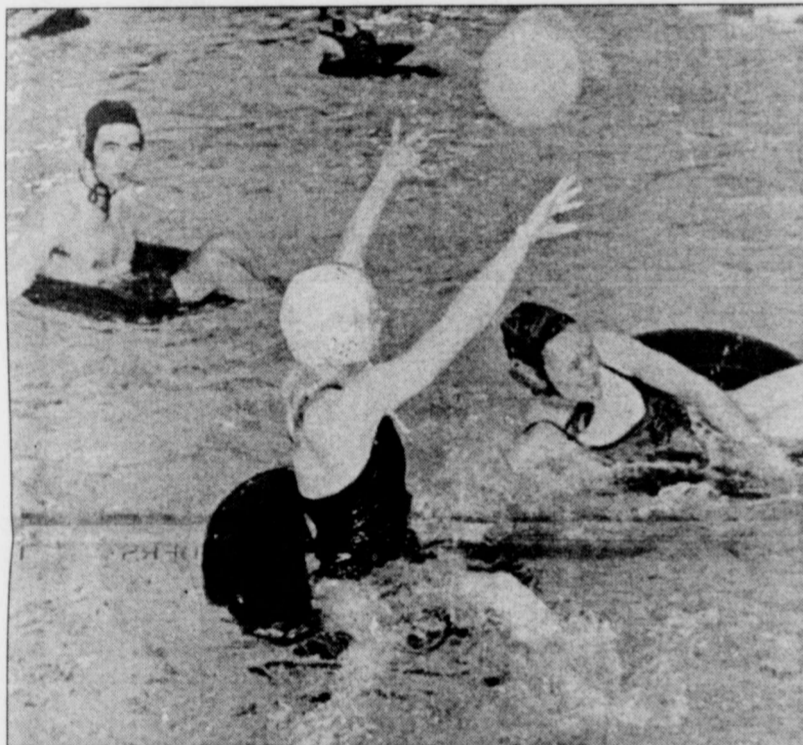
Specialty class registration begins Monday in the Fitness/Wellness Center. All classes begin the week of March 3. New classes for this session include Tri Sport, an introduction to the sport of triathlon; USA Tennis 1-2-3, a beginning tennis class and Intermediate Yoga, for those who have participated in yoga at the Rec before. Old favorites include Boxing Techniques, Knockout Jam, Men's Weight Training, Spin City, Tai Chi, Women & Weights and Yoga. Payment must be made upon registration. Cash, check, credit card and Tech Express are accepted for payment.

| Class | Days | Time | Cost | Registration |
|--------------------------|------|--------------|-------|--------------|
| Boxing Techniques | Su/W | 3:30-5:30 pm | \$30* | 3/3-4/10 |
| | T/Th | 2:00-4:00 pm | | 3/5-4/11 |
| Knockout Jam | M/T | 6:45-7:45 pm | \$20* | 3/4-4/11 |
| | T/Th | 4:10-5:10 pm | | 3/5-4/11 |
| Men's Weight Training | T/Th | 8-9 pm | \$16 | 3/5-4/4 |
| Spin City | M/W | 6:45-7:45 pm | \$20 | 3/4-4/10 |
| | T/Th | 5:30-6:30 pm | | 3/5-4/11 |
| Tai Chi | T/Th | 5:30-6:30 pm | \$40 | 3/5-4/11 |
| Tri Sport | M | 5:30-6:30 pm | \$20 | 3/4 - 4/8 |
| USA Tennis 1-2-3 | M/W | 5:15-6:15 pm | \$20 | 3/4-4/10 |
| Women & Weights | M/W | 8-9 pm | \$16 | 3/4-4/3 |
| Intermediate Yoga | W | 5:30-6:30 pm | \$20 | 3/6-4/10 |
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HUA SANG WINS INTRAMURAL TABLE TENNIS:

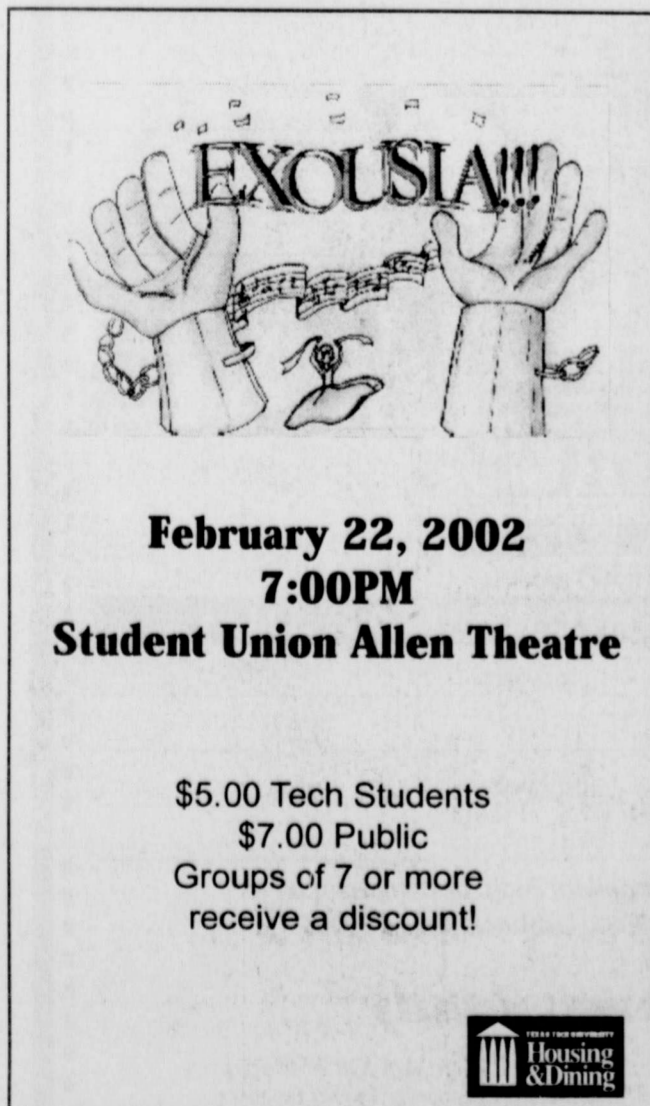
More than 30 players picked up paddles last weekend and competed for the title of the intramural table tennis champion. Hua Sang went through the field and dominated to win the Men's A Championship. Sang played five matches without losing a single game along the way. His victory over Xing Chen, 2-0 in the finals, capped off his dominating tournament. Wisut Suphetak outlasted six other competitors to take the Men's B title. Suphetak defeated Jeff Turton in the B final. The Women's Championship saw Arisa Kosadat defeat Anchalee Jarusiripat 2-0 in the championship match.

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Raiders shake out of slump, beat NMSU in home opener



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TEXAS TECH OUTFIELDER Esmelda Perez does not beat the throw at the plate and is called out seconds later during the Red Raiders' 7-4 win against New Mexico State University in Tech's home opener Tuesday at Rocky Johnson Field.

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

Wind, rain and even hail could not keep Texas Tech softball team from defeating New Mexico State University 7-4 in its home opener Tuesday at Rocky Johnson field.

Tech coach Bobby Reeves said the weather predictions were wrong for the Red Raiders' matchup with the Aggies.

"As a coach you watch the Weather Channel all the time," Reeves said. "It was supposed to be partly cloudy and a high of 65. I guess those clouds got a little thicker than they thought."

The rain began to fall in the top half of the fifth inning. Quickly after, pe-sized hail found its way to the ground at The Rock. The game went into a rain delay for about 20 minutes.

According to NCAA softball rules, a game have completed five innings before it can be called and considered a complete game.

Just before the delay, Aggie outfielder Kelly Rhyne hit a two-run homerun to pull NMSU within one run of the Tech lead at 4-3.

Reeves said he did not want the game to be cancelled because of the weather.

"There's no way I was going to let this rain out," Reeves said. "We needed this game."

The win is Tech's first win in 10 games, and third baseman Andrea Joachims said a win is just what the doctor ordered to get their backs.

"Finally," Joachims said. "After 10 games, it was more like a gorilla. This win is very important. It sets the pace for what's to come."

Joachims was 2-4 with two RBI in Tech's victory.

Joachims said when a team is in a losing streak, like Tech was, one win can turn the whole team around.

"All we needed was a win," Joachims

said. "When you're in a losing mode like we were, that's all it takes. This helped us get out of it."

When the clouds broke, Joachims said the team's prayers may have been answered because the game would continue and the Raiders could break out of their slump.

"We prayed to the softball gods," Joachims said. "Sometimes that's all you can do."

Joachims said when a team is in a losing mode like we were, that's all it takes. This helped us get out of it."

Reeves said the team got rid of its recent bad luck with the win.

"We got the funky funk gone," Reeves said. "This win is definitely not the answer, but we got that good feeling back."

The game was put out of reach after shortstop Kristi Robles' RBI triple in the sixth inning to increase the lead to 4-6. Robles had two RBI on the afternoon and two runs scored.

Robles said the key to Tech's win was hitting when the team needed it most.

"We hit with runners on base," Robles said. "We haven't done that well yet."

Reeves said he was happy with the win and hopes the losing has subsided for a while.

"There's no cure for anything like a win," Reeves said. "We've got that good feeling now. Hopefully, we can carry that into the weekend."

Newly acquired Gonzalez will be late arrival for Rangers in camp

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP) — Newly acquired slugger Juan Gonzalez has gotten permission from the Texas Rangers to report late to training camp.

General manager John Hart said he has no problem with the outfielder arriving in camp by Monday. The rest of the players are expected to report by Wednesday, and take part in the first full-squad workout Thursday.

Hart also has agreed with Jeff Moorad, the agent for both Gonzalez and Ivan Rodriguez, that there won't be any contract negotiations with the 10-time All-Star catcher until after the season is over.

Gonzalez, a two-time AL MVP while with the Rangers from 1989-99, signed a \$24 million, two-year contract last month to rejoin the Rangers after playing the last two seasons in Detroit and Cleveland. He will be late to camp because he is tending to personal business at home in Puerto Rico.

"When we talked, I wanted to make sure there were no problems on his part with coming to camp and he told me he was very excited to be coming here, but that he had some

things he had to take care of," Hart said. "I'm thrilled that he called and asked for permission rather than just not show up."

Rodriguez is going into the final year of a \$42-million, five-year contract extension he signed in 1997.

Rodriguez has been in camp since Friday. His last two seasons have been shortened by injury, including the final six weeks last season after surgery for tendonitis in his left knee.

Moorad said there's no reason a deal couldn't get done in the two weeks after the World Series next fall when the Rangers will have exclusive negotiating rights.

"This is the place where Pudge wants to be," Moorad said. "Always has, always will be. Pudge doesn't want the distractions and the team doesn't need the distractions. The best course is to defer discussions until the window opens at the end of the season."

Negotiations with Moorad and the Rangers during the 1997 season broke down. But Rodriguez walked alone into the office of then-team president Tom Sheffer and a new contract was reached.

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Tech looks to extend winning streak

Texas Tech will try and extend its two-game winning streak when the Red Raider men's basketball team faces Missouri at 8:15 p.m. today in the United Spirit Arena.

Tech (16-6 overall) is coming off two consecutive wins while Missouri (18-8 overall) has lost two of its last three games, which includes a 72-70 loss to Texas Saturday.

Guard Kareem Rush's 20.3 points per game leads the Tigers.

Tech is paced by Big 12 Conference player of the week, Andre Emmett, who averages 19.5 points per game and a league best 22.3 points per Big 12 game.

Emmett scored 63 points and grabbed 16 rebounds during last week's wins against Baylor and Colorado. The award for Tech is the first Big 12 honor for the Raiders this season.

Guard Nick Valdez, who has missed the last three games with a left-ankle injury, is doubtful to play tonight's game.

Tech has four games remaining on the schedule and will look to be top-four fin-

isher in the Big 12 Conference, which would give the Raiders a first-round bye in next month's Big 12 Tournament.

Tech is tied for fourth in the Big 12 with a 7-5 league record. Missouri and Oklahoma State are also 7-5. If Tech wins the remaining of its games, the Raiders will be in line for a top-four finish.

Tech would need a loss by OSU or tiebreaker over OSU if both teams won the rest of their games. In the first tiebreaker to determine tourney seeding, the two teams split their season series. The next tiebreaker is the record against teams in the same division.

In this case, both teams have 4-3 records so far against teams from the South Division comprising Tech, OSU, Oklahoma, Texas, Baylor and Texas A&M.

Tech's three remaining games are Texas A&M on Saturday in Lubbock, Texas on Tuesday in Austin and Baylor on Mar. 2 in Waco.

Raiders out duel TCU, 14-13, in slugfest

The Texas Tech baseball squad moved to 9-4 on the season with a 14-13 win against Texas Christian Tuesday in Fort Worth.

The Raiders broke open a 6-6 game in the top of the ninth with eight runs on eight hits and two Horned Frog errors to take a 14-6 lead into the bottom of the ninth.

TCU rallied for seven runs on five hits and one Tech error in its half of the ninth but fell short as the Raiders defeated the Horned Frogs for the third time this season.

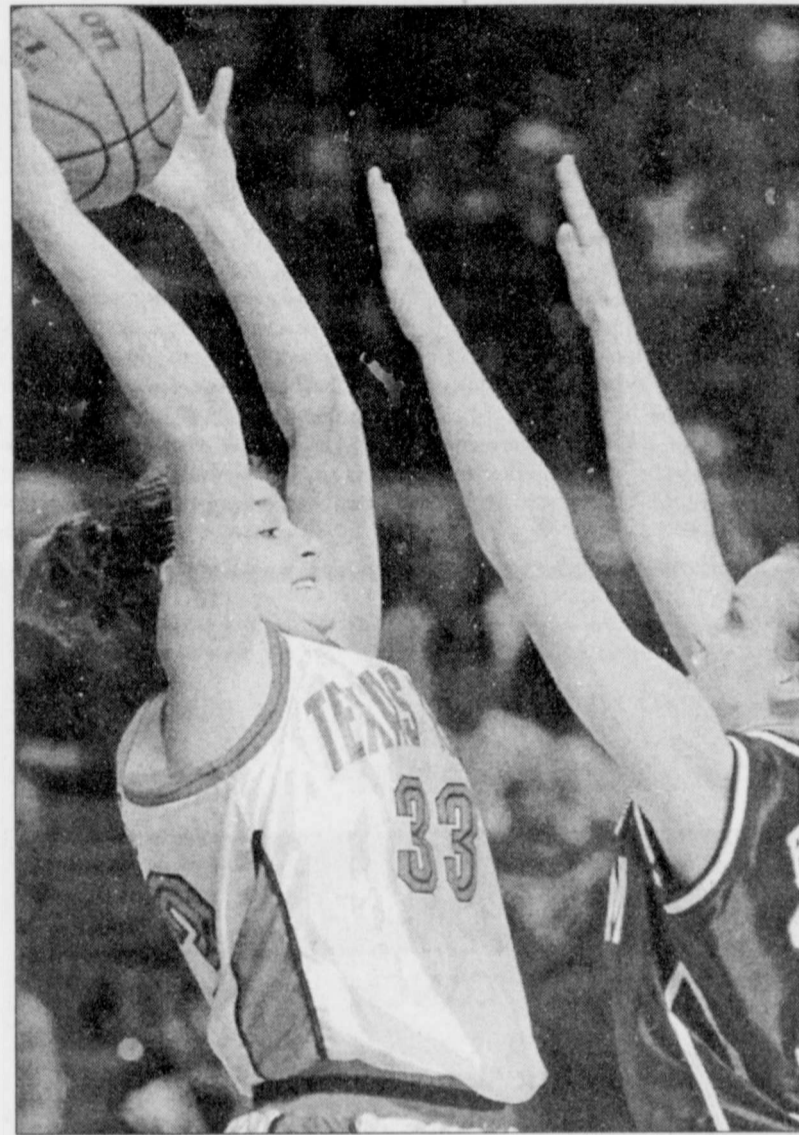
Tech pitcher Steve Rowe picked up the win for the Raiders and moved to 2-0 on the season. Horned Frog pitcher Aaron Tims dropped to 0-2 on the season with the loss.

Raider right fielder Scooter Jordan drove in five runs in the win.

The Horned Frogs fell to 3-5 on the season with the loss.

Tech will battle TCU at 2:05 p.m. today in Fort Worth, as it concludes its two game series with the Horned Frogs.

Tech continues dominance of A&M



DAVID JOHNSON/Staff Photographer
TEXAS TECH FORWARD Jolee Ayers looks to pass during the Lady Raiders' 95-64 win against Texas A&M Tuesday at the United Spirit Arena. It was Tech's second win against Texas A&M this year and 12th consecutive victory against the Aggies overall.

By Jeff Keller/Staff Reporter

Six Lady Raiders reached double-digits in scoring as Texas Tech handed Texas A&M a 95-64 loss Tuesday night at the United Spirit Arena.

Lady Raider center Tanisha Ellison scored a career high of 19 points and snared 14 rebounds to help Tech claim the 31-point victory.

The contest was tied briefly at 2-2 in the early goings of the first half, but the Lady Raiders began to heat up from behind the 3-point line and were able to pull away by halftime to a 46-28 lead.

Tech guards Amber Tarr and Natalie Ritchie combined for five 3-point shots in the initial period as the Lady Raiders claimed an 18-point halftime edge.

Ritchie, who came off the bench in the first half to score eight of her 13 points, said she tried to follow Tarr's lead when she entered the contest.

"I just came in and tried to hit the open shots when I had them," Ritchie said. "It opened up for me, and I was glad I made them. But Amber started us off and that was great because she got the momentum going for us."

In the second half, the Lady Raiders were able to extend their lead to 32 points before A&M cut the final deficit to 31.

In addition to Ellison's double-double, Tech forward Jolee Ayers collected a double-double scoring 14 points and grabbing 13 rebounds.

Tech coach Marsha Sharp said the effort from the Lady Raider post players was the best they had produced all season.

"We played well on the inside against Kansas in the first game of conference play," Sharp said. "But possibly for 40 minutes, it

is probably the best we have gotten from the combination. They've each had good nights, but this is probably the best they have played together."

Ellison's 19-point effort was second only to A&M guard Toccarra Williams' game high of 22 points.

Ellison entered the game averaging four points and four rebounds per game, but said she did not do anything different to prepare for the game.

"I approached this game like every other game that I have approached before," Ellison said. "Nothing different, everything the same."

Ellison said she just adjusted to the flow of the game, and by the end of the contest she had collected a career high in scoring.

"When I was out there playing, I guess I was just in a zone," Ellison said. "I was just going with the flow. I wasn't really paying attention to how many points I was going to score. If I got the open shot, I took it. If one of my teammates was going to shoot it, I was going to try my best to get the board. I think I just had that mentality tonight that the ball was going to be mine."

Tarr finished the game with 15 points while center Cisti Greenwalt poured in 11 points, and guard Jia Perkins finished with 10 points.

Ritchie said having almost the entire team contributing to the point scoring made competing against the Aggies that much more fun.

"It is awesome when everyone is on because we win when everyone is on," Ritchie said. "It is great because everybody is going to get respect. That means that in the next game everybody is going to be feared by the other team."

Belarus speedskater leaves Winter Olympics after test shows excessive steroid use

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—A short-track speedskater from Belarus has left the Winter Olympics after a drug test found a steroid level nearly 400 times the legal limit in the athlete's body.

The athlete vanished from Olympic

Village housing Monday after failing to show up for a second test. Officials barred the athlete from the games pending an investigation and punished the Belarus Olympic committee for allegedly helping the athlete avoid another exam.

However, the Salt Lake City Games remain free of a doping case because the bag carrying the athlete's urine sample was not properly sealed. It was broken by a lab courier in an apparent accident.

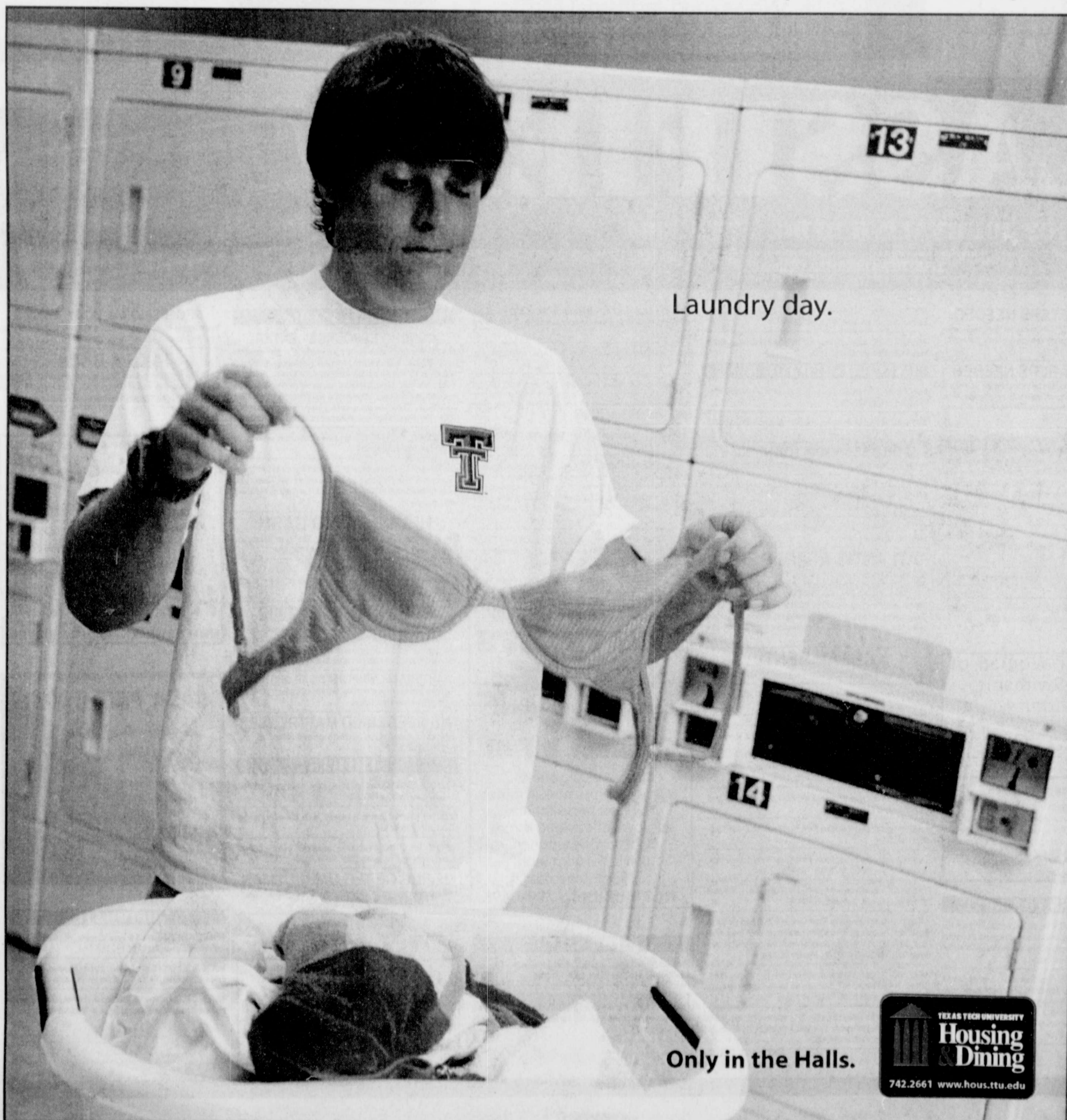
For that reason, officials decided the

athlete had not technically flunked a drug test, International Olympic Committee executive director Francois Carrard said.

The skater was identified Tuesday by Belarussian Sports and Tourism Minis-

ter Yevgeny Vorsin as Yulia Pavlovich. He said she had been sent home by team leadership "at her coach's suggestion," and that the test results may have been produced by "medical help" received from team personnel last weekend.

Pavlovich finished 19th in the 1,500 meters and 23rd in the 500 meters, which preceded her drug test Saturday night. She had been scheduled to compete in the 1,000 meters on Wednesday.



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